The Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office for Disarmament Affairs of the United Nations and in reference to its Note ODA/2019-00090/CBMs dated February 6, 2019 concerning the 73/51 UN General Assembly Resolution on „Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms“ has the honor to convey information on the measures taken by the Government of Georgia for the implementation of the above Resolution.

The Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office for Disarmament Affairs of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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According to the paragraph 5 of Article 4 Constitution of Georgia: "The Georgian legislation shall comply with the universally recognized norms and principles of International Law. An International Treaty of Georgia shall take precedence over domestic normative acts unless it comes into conflict with Constitution or Constitutional Agreement of Georgia".

Georgia meets all international commitments related to defence issues such as international agreements, treaties, and memorandums (including adherence to the 6 point ceasefire agreement of August 12, 2008). Georgia remains transparent and shares information on defence matters in accordance with international obligations (including Vienna Document, Open Sky treaty, CFE, CCW and the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Defence of Georgia and the European Union Monitoring Mission of January 26, 2009 and its amendment of July 02, 2010).

As the member of Forum for Security Cooperation (OSCE decision making body) Georgia takes commitment to meet the requirements determined by Confidence and Security Building Measures.

According to the provisions of CFE Treaty, Georgia as a state party implements the following commitments:

1. According to the protocol on inspections of the CFE treaty, Georgia receives/conducts the following activities:
   I) Declared site Inspection,
   II) Challenge inspection within specified areas,
   III) Inspection of reduction,
   IV) According to the bilateral agreements Georgia receives/conducts the additional Declared Site inspections

2. According to the protocol on notification and exchange of information of the CFE treaty, Georgia prepares and circulates corresponding notification formats for the states parties by means of INA system and OSCE network.

3. According to Chapter I-V of the protocol on notification and exchange of information, Georgia annually prepares and circulates via diplomatic channels annual military information regarding its armed forces in the special ADS (Automated Data Systems) program on December 15, which is valid as of 1st of January of the following year.

4. According to the protocol on procedures governing the reduction of Treaty Limited Equipment Georgia conducts the reduction of the decommissioned Treaty Limited Equipment by the means of their destruction.

The key document on CSBMs is the Vienna Document 2011 on confidence and security building measures. The aim of the Document is to promote trust and predictability
through transparency and verification measures covering the armed forces and major equipment systems within the OSCE application area.

According to the requirements of the Vienna Document (2011), Georgia as a state party is providing the implementation of the following provisions:

1. According to the paragraphs 9 and 10 of the 1st chapter of VD2011, Georgia annually prepares and circulates via diplomatic channels annual military information regarding its own armed forces in the special ADS (Automated Date Systems) program on December 15, which is valid until the 1st of January of the following year.

2. According to VD2011 provisions prepares and circulates corresponding notification formats for states parties by means of INA system and OSCE network.

3. According to chapter IX of VD2011 Georgia implements the following provisions:
   I) According to paragraphs 74-106 Georgia receives/conducts specified area inspections;
   II) According to paragraphs 107-137 Georgia receives/conducts evaluation visits;

4. According to the article 144.9 of the X chapter of VD2011 receives/conducts additional evaluation visits (according to the bilateral agreements).

2018

1. Canada conducted specified area (SA) inspection in Georgia - January 2018 (regional measures)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

2. Czech Republic conducted Evaluation Visit (EV) in Georgia – February 2018 (passive quota)
   Aim of EV – Check of the exchanged information of the military unit to be evaluated and get information regarding the main task and activities of the unit

3. Georgia conducted SA inspection in Ukraine – March 2018 (active quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

4. Slovenia conducted SA inspection in Georgia – April 2018 (passive quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

5. Turkey conducted SA inspection in Georgia – May 2018 (passive quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

6. Georgia conducted EV in Germany – August 2018 (regional measures)
Aim of EV – Check of the exchanged information of the military unit to be evaluated and get information regarding the main task and activities of the unit

7. Germany conducted EV in Georgia - August 2018 (regional measures)
   Aim of EV – Check of the exchanged information of the military unit to be evaluated and get information regarding the main task and activities of the unit

2019

1. Georgia Conducted SA inspection in Ukraine – March 2019 (active quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

2. Turkey Conducted EV in Georgia – March 2019 (passive quota)
   Aim of EV – Check of the exchanged information of the military unit to be evaluated and get information regarding the main task and activities of the unit

3. Ukraine conducted SA inspection in Georgia – March 2019 (passive quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

4. Spain conducted SA inspection in Georgia – March 2019 (passive quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

5. Hungary conducted SA inspection in Georgia – March 2019 (passive quota)
   Aim of the inspection – to get information regarding the military units and activities within the SA.

6. Canada conducted EV in Georgia – April 2019 (regional measures)
   Aim of EV – Check of the exchanged information of the military unit to be evaluated and get information regarding the main task and activities of the unit

Georgia annually prepares and circulates via diplomatic channels Global Exchange of Military Information (GEMI) until April 30th. Information is valid as of 1st January of the current year. These measures are implemented by the Arms Control and Verification Division of the General Staff of the Defense Forces of the Ministry of Defence of Georgia in conjunction with other relevant agencies.

According to the “Open Sky” Treaty provisions, Georgia annually receives/conducts observation flights:

- During April 15-19, 2019 Georgia and Ukraine conducted one observation flight on the territory of Republic Turkey;
- During May 13-17, 2019 Georgia received the observation flight of the United Kingdom with Romania and the United States of America;
- In 2019 Georgia will receive one observation flight of Italy, Canada and France;
- In 2019 Georgia will receive one observation flight of Turkey, Germany and Bosnia-Herzegovina;
- In 2019 Georgia will receive one observation flight of Sweden and Germany.